

Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the current Abstract with the following rewritten

Abstract:

A stair lift ~~comprises~~ includes a lift assembly arranged to be driven along a rail. The lift assembly ~~comprises~~ includes a chassis (10) supporting a load bearing member such as a seat, (1) ~~and the~~ The chassis is formed by a main member on which are mounted a drive assembly (11) and a levelling assembly (12) for maintaining the seat horizontal by altering the orientation of the chassis with respect to the rail ~~so as to maintain horizontal the load bearing member~~ as the lift assembly moves along the rail. One or both of the drive and levelling assemblies may be pivotally mounted on the chassis to permit rotation about a vertical axis so as to accommodate bends in the rail.